

SENATE BILL 499

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-201; Section 68-11-203; Section 68-142-103 and Section 71-5-137, relative to health.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-201(11), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-203(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(1) The board shall consist of eighteen (18) members, who shall be appointed by the governor, two (2) of whom shall be graduates of recognized schools of medicine with the degree, doctor of medicine, and shall have an unlimited license to practice medicine in the state of Tennessee; one (1) of whom shall be a dentist who shall be an oral surgeon licensed to practice in Tennessee; one (1) of whom shall be a graduate pharmacist who shall hold a degree in pharmacy from a recognized school of pharmacy and shall be licensed to practice pharmacy in Tennessee; one (1) of whom shall be a registered nurse; two (2) of whom shall be persons engaged in hospital administration of short term acute hospitals; one (1) of whom shall be licensed to practice osteopathic medicine in Tennessee; three (3) of whom shall be representatives of the nursing home industry, and one (1) of the three (3) representatives so appointed shall represent a hospital-operated nursing home; one (1) of whom shall be an architect who is knowledgeable by training or experience in health care facility design or construction; one (1) of whom shall be the operator of a home care organization; one (1) of whom shall be either the operator of a licensed residential home for the aged or a

representative of the assisted living industry; and two (2) of whom shall be consumer members who are not engaged in any health care-related profession, occupation, or field of endeavor. The two (2) remaining members shall be ex officio members, namely the commissioner, or the commissioner's designated representative from the department, and the executive director of the state commission on aging, each of whom shall serve concurrently with the term of each of their respective offices.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-142-103(10), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(10) A representative from a professional organization working to prevent abuse of children.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-137(d), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(d) Disclosures required by this section shall be made to the bureau of TennCare and shall be made by March 1 of each year for the previous calendar year.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.